

FSA Training Conference

Speaker Bio

Session(s): BO1. Understanding Prison Education Programs for Confined or Incarcerated Individuals

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Benedict A. Dorsey, D.Th., was born and raised in Baltimore, Maryland. He was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army as a captain (p) after graduating from Loyola University Maryland with a Bachelor of Arts. He continued his education and achieved a Master of Fine Arts, Master of Theology, and Doctor of Theology.

Before joining the U.S. Department of Education's office of Federal Student Aid as a training officer, he served students as a financial aid administrator for over 34 years. His career in federal student aid started at a proprietary school. Since then, he has served students at community colleges and private, public, and historically black institutions. In addition, he worked at a grassroots hybrid technology and coaching solution company designed to improve persistence among promising students by providing career counseling, student aid counseling, and academic support to those who did not believe higher education was possible for them.



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He spends his personal time leading a Baltimore-based ministry with motivational speaking, outreach endeavors, and self-enrichment workshops. His first self-improvement book, "B.A.D. Talking but Saying Good Stuff," was published in the summer of 2021. Benedict takes great pride in being a student-centered administrator. His career mantra is "Make higher education possible for all students while protecting the institution's interest."